



This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the “Program Notes” section for details regarding “critical courses” for this particular Program of Study.

Critical	Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Min. Grade ¹	Major GPA ²	Code	Prerequisites	Notes
Semester One (15-17 Credit Hours)							
	ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition	3	C		CC-CMW		
	Carolina Core ARP Requirement	3-4			CC-ARP		
	Carolina Core Requirement ³	3			CC		
	Foreign language ⁴ or other Carolina Core Requirement ³	3-4			CC-GFL		
	UNIV 101 The Student in the University <i>or</i> Carolina Core Requirement ³	3			PR/CC		
Semester Two (15-17 Credit Hours)							
	ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition	3	C		CC-CMW CC-INF		
	Carolina Core ARP Requirement	3-4			CC-ARP		
	Foreign language ⁴ or other Carolina Core Requirement ³	3			CC-GFL		
	Carolina Core Requirement ³	3			CC		
	Carolina Core Requirement ³	3-4			CC		
Semester Three (15-16 Credit Hours)							
	Arts and Sciences Elective ⁶	3			CR		
	Carolina Core Requirement ³	3			CC		
	Foreign language ⁴ <i>or</i> Carolina Core Requirement ³	3			CR/CC		
	Carolina Core Requirement ³ <i>or</i> Approved Elective ⁸	3-4			CC/PR		
	Carolina Core Requirement ³ <i>or</i> Approved Elective ⁸	3			CC/PR		
Semester Four (15 Credit Hours)							
	Arts and Sciences Elective ⁶	3			CR		
	Approved Elective ⁸	3			PR		
	Approved Elective ⁸	3			PR		
	Approved Elective ⁸	3			PR		
	Approved Elective ⁸	3			PR		
Semester Five (15 Credit Hours)							
	Liberal Studies Major Course ⁵	3	C		MR		
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	Cognate Course ⁷	3	C		PR		
	PHIL 102 Introduction to Philosophy	3			CR		
Semester Six (15 Credit Hours)							
	PALM 493 South Carolina Studies	3	C		MR/CC-INT		
	Liberal Studies Major Course ⁵	3	C		MR		
	Liberal Studies Major Course ⁵	3	C		MR		
	Cognate Course ⁷	3	C		PR		
	Approved Elective ⁸	3			PR		
Semester Seven (15 Credit Hours)							
	PALM 494 Internship <i>or</i> PALM 495 Service-Learning	3	C		MR	PALM 493	
	Liberal Studies Major Course ⁵	3	C		MR		
	Liberal Studies Major Course ⁵	3	C		MR		
	Cognate Course ⁷	3	C		PR		
	Approved Elective ⁸	3			PR		
Semester Eight (13 Credit Hours)							
	UNIV 401 Senior Capstone Experience	3	C		MR	Junior or Senior standing	
	Liberal Studies Major Course ⁵	3	C		MR		
	Liberal Studies Major Course ⁵	3	C		MR		
	Cognate Course ⁷	3	C		PR		
	Approved Elective ⁸	1			PR		

Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Major Requirements Hours	College & Program Requirements Hours	Carolina Core Hours	Minimum Overall GPA
120	36	40-52	32-44	2.00

1. Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA.
2. Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated in this column are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
3. The [Carolina Core](#) provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
4. Students in Palmetto College are required to demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language equivalent to the 122 course through course credit or the corresponding foreign language placement score.
5. Liberal Studies major courses (27 hours) must be at the upper level, with at least 15 hours at the 400-level or above. At least 15 hours must be USC courses. No more than hours of the major will be accepted in transfer. The student's major will be chosen from **TWO of the following disciplines**, with a minimum of 12 hours required in each of the two disciplines:

Anthropology

Art
Astronomy
Biological Sciences
Chemistry
Criminology & Criminal Justice
Economics
English
Environmental Studies

Geography

Geological Sciences
Health Promotion, Education, & Behavior
History
Languages
Marine Science
Mathematics
Native American Studies*
Philosophy

Physics

Political Science
Psychology
Religious Studies
Sociology
Statistics
Theatre

*Courses designated as fulfilling the **Native American Studies** option include:

ANTH 209 Introduction to Folklore
ANTH 317 American Indian Nations
ANTH 321 South Carolina Archaeology
ANTH 333 North American Prehistory
ANTH 391 Selected Topics in Anthropology**
ANTH 399 Independent Study**

ANTH 499 In the Trad. of Anthropology**
ENGL 399 Independent Study**
ENGL 429 Topics in American Literature**
ENGL 438A South Carolina Writers**
ENGL 439 Selected Topics**
ENGL 449 Special Topics in Theory**

ENGL 455 Language in Society
ENGL 490 Topics in Advanced Study**
HIST 401 The Dev. of the Amer. People to 1789
HIST 409 History of South Carolina, 1670-1865
LING 405 Topics in Linguistics**
ENGL 438A South Carolina Writers**

**When topics are relevant to Native American Studies

6. The Arts and Sciences electives must include two disciplines.
7. The cognate cannot be a discipline included in the student's major option. No more than 6 hours of transfer work may be applied to the cognate. A minimum of 12 hours of course work at the 300-level or above from one of the following disciplines: **African-American Studies; Anthropology; Art; Business; Criminal Justice; Dance; Economics; Education; English; Geography; History; Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior; Languages; Mathematics; Native American Studies*; Philosophy; Political Science; Psychology; Physical and/or Biological Sciences; Religious Studies; Social Work; Sociology; Theatre**, or any other discipline approved by the Associate Provost.
8. No courses of a remedial, developmental, skill-acquiring, or vocational nature may apply as credit toward degrees in Palmetto College.

Program Notes:

- The Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies is designed for students who want to pursue liberal studies without a major in a single discipline.
- A specific Program of Study is developed by the student and the student's advisor and approved by the Associate Provost. Any changes to the Program of Study must be approved by the advisor and Associate Provost.
- The last 30 credit hours toward your degree must be earned in residence at the University of South Carolina-Columbia.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

Codes:	
CC	Carolina Core
CC-AIU	Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding
CC-ARP	Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving
CC-CMS	Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component
CC-CMW	Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component
CC-GFL	Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language
CC-GHS	Carolina Core – Historical Thinking
CC-GSS	Carolina Core – Social Sciences
CC-INF	Carolina Core – Information Literacy
CC-INT	Carolina Core – Integrative Course
CC-SCI	Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy
CC-VSR	Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility
CR	College Requirement
MR	Major Requirement
PR	Program Requirement

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.